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CITY NOTES.

The Delaware and Hudson company paid the trainmen on the division south of Scranton and shops at Wilkes-Barre yesterday.

The Thirteenth ward Republican caucus has been called for Tuesday, Dec. 2l. at the regular polling places between the polling places between the hours of 4 and 7 o'clock.

Frank Cope yesterday morning made affidavit before Aldermon Millar that he killed a mink and a coon in Keysertown.

St. John's Catholic Total Abstinctice and Benevolent society, of Pine Brook, will celebrate the twelfth anniversary of its organization at its hall, 1007 Capouse avenue, next Monday evening,

Mrs. Elizabeth Garland Hall, just returned from the Congo country, Africa, will speak to the young people and children in the Penn Avenue Baptist church on Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Ad-mission free. Everybody welcome:

Marriage lievases were granted yester day by the clerk of the courts to Arthur Junn and Augusta Pratt Fordham, of Scrinton; Owen Rurdick and Emma Gramer, of Carbondale; Daniel Riven-burgh, of Handen, Del., and Annie May Davis, of Waymart: Christian Miller and Ella Vail, of Carbon-lale,

James Shore and William Jillson were placed under arrest at \$20 o'clock yesterday morning by Special Officer Philip Goerlitz in the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western yard. The men were attempting to heat their way out of town. Patrolman Palmer assisted in the arrest. police court yesterday Mayor Bailey ave Jillson and Shore one hour to get out of town, without conditions,

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THREE DIVORCES GRANTED.

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Mrs. Nancy Maria Orndorff from John eley Orndorff, Mrs. Esther Jones from Isaac W. Jones, Mrs. Jessle C. Beagough from John L. Bengaugh. Descrition in each case was the ground

Mrs. Orndorff's maiden name was Miss Nancy M. Williams and she was first married on Jan. 16, 1852. Her husband died Sept. 21, 1865, and Dec. 25, 1889, she was married to John Orndorff.

He left her Jan. 27, 1891. Mrs. Jones was married in Bingham-ton May, 13, 1891, to the man who deserted her June 4, 1892. She is 25 years of age and now lives at 530 Adams ave-After their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Jones lived with her parents on the West Side and subsequently resided for a time on Thirteenth street. The Bengoughs were married at Vandling May 20, 1890, and lived at that place, Forest City and Vandling between that time and Feb. 12, 1894, when Bengough deserted his wife at

RISCA CROCKER ARRESTED.

He Is Wanted in Bucks County for Contempt of Court.

Risca Crocker, of this city, formerly of Doylestown, Bucks county, was arrested last evening at his boarding house by Lieutenant Davis and Patrolman Day, on a warrant brought here by the sheriff of Bucks county, charging contempt of court. He spent last night at the police headquarters and will return to his former home with the sheriff today.

Crocker enjoys a wide circle of acquaintances here. He has been reading law for some time with Taylor & Lewis.

Forestry Officers.

Among the officers of the Pennsylvania Forestry association elected at its twelfth annual meeting in Philadelphia Monday were these councillors-nt-large: Lackawanna, Dr. G. Edgar Dean; Luzerne, W. L. Conyngham; Wayne, Alonzo T. Searle; Wyoming, James W. Fiatt; Susquehanna, Edgar A. Turrell; and Pike, Arthur M. Adams,

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MACBETH WAS NOT A REAL BAD MAN

Dr. D. J. Stafford so Contends in His Powerful Lecture.

TO HOLD SUCH DESTROYS STORY

Disposed to Be Good but Temptation Fostered by Ambition Overcame Was Disposed to Be Righteons but Could Not .- The Moral of the Play Is That Crime Is Followed by Re- a regrettable end. morse and Punishment.

The first of the winter course of lecures arranged by Rev. D. J. MacGoldrick, president of St. Thomas' college, given last night when Rev. Dr. D. J. Stafford, of Washington, D. C. delivered a powerful lecture on Shakescare's powerful tragedy "Macbeth." It was a most forbidding night in the matter of weather, but despite this a very large audience was in attendance, test fying, if, indeed, any testi-mony was needed, to the good first imression that Dr. Stafford made in his ecture on "Hamlet" here, last win-

As a Shakespearean lecturer Dr. Stafford is acknowledged in the world of letters to be without a superior and with few equats, and that he is a opular lecturer is not wondered at or a moment after he is heard once A lecturer aims to be entertaining and instructive. Dr. Stafford is doubly so for his lecture is both a discussion and practical delineation.

Those who had heard him in "Hamet," in which he has attained national fame, expected to be disappointed in "Macbeth." but, much to the praise of his breadth and versatility such was not the case. Those of last night's audience who had also heard "Hamlet," judging from the remarks at the He received the bounty from the county conclusion of the lecture, were divided commissioners. the better. The excellence of one or the other is solely a matter of taste as Dr. Stafford treats both subjects alike and each perfectly.

His style, as indicated already, is to give the story of the piece, interpret it as his deep study and research moves him, and at appropriate times act the character, as an aid in the delineator. THE MOST SUBLIME.

He unhesitatingly pronounces Macbeth to be the most sublime of all saakespeare's productions. For splendor of pictures and beauty of diction it is particularly unique. In it the poet pushes every passion to its limit and yet by his masterful genius avoids any spoiled effect. Great as is the piece, he does not allow its characters to be destroyed by it. Macbeth is as powerful as the piece and so is Lady Mac-

"Macbeth," the lecturer asserted, vas written between the years 1604 and 1610 in honor of King James, its argument, indirectly, being that James was lescended from Banque, which would tickle the king's vanity by making his genealogy farther reaching than that of any of those about him.

The whole play is taken bodily from Hollingshead. Even a portion of the onversation between Malcolm and Macduff is literally translated from the story to the play. It was a beautiful story as Hollingshead framed it. Shakespeare's psychological development made it the greatest of all plays, All that is torrible in the mind of worked into the play. It is essentially a terrible tragedy. The momentary appearance of the weird isters at the opening of the play is solely to dispose the listener to expect

omething terrible. The moral of the play is the pointing out of the supremacy of the moral law. the lecturer argued. Crime, remorse punishment is the epitome of the tale. Macbeth was disposed to be a good man. To make him a villain, a ome critics, is to destroy the significance of the play. Macbeth was honorably ambitious; he was tempted; he fell. Such is the character. He and Duncan were about equally entitled to succeed Malcolm. Duncan was preferred. Duncan proved to be a weak king. The gigantle Macbeth naturally thought how much better right he had to be king than Duncan. Young Malcolm is named Duke of Northumberland, which carried with it the right of succession to the crown. The only way now left for him to come to the throne is to take it. There was ambition, gradual development of temptation and finally the fall. Macbeth

ARRIVAL OF DUNCAN.

was self-corrupted, as is every bad

Just at the time when the temptation has mastered Macbeth, Duncan omes to the Macbeth castle, Lady Macbeth-all while-is unmoved. Mac beth's good nature is stirring within him. He can not rest in the presence of his intended victim. He goes out to think it over. The thought tertures him. His friend, his kinsman, his king, most of all, his host. If the circumstances were only different. Not through fear, but by the dictates of his conscience he concludes not to do it. To make Macbeth a cold-blooded murder would be like telling the intelligence of the world that in Hamlet it has been philosophizing on the rayings of a madman for 400 years. He has a conscience. The good and bad are struggling within him for mastery.

Lady Macbeth, divining what is going on, also leaves the banquet hall and seeks out her husband. She calls him coward, tilling him he has already fallen by willing the deed, but dares not carry it out. He does not defy the taunt. He will do it.

The description of the terrible night which the poet conjures up for the feed is interestingly elaborated upon y the lecturer. Then, with a recitation of the passage "Is this a dagger I see before me?" and timely comments, he further proves the fallacy of the allegation that Macbeth was If his great-great-great-great-greateld-blooded. Then again, for this ame purpose and incidentally to bring out the will power of Lady Macbeth, he enacted the scene when Macbeth returns with the bloody dagger—the ann all terror, the woman the personification of triumph. This passage, be ginning "Dids't hear a noise?" is the nest terrible scene in the terrible tragedy, Dr. Stafford claims, and the thrill ing way in which he acted it made his hearers in perfect agreement with him. No finer piece of highly emotional work could be desired.

Who, but Shakespeare, could have introduced in the very beginning of a play such a climax and yet sustain The unabating interest to the end? the

RESTLESS AND FEARFUL. After this Macbeth would be a good king, and was disposed to be such but couldn't. To "be safely thus" is now troubling him. He is restless and fear-00000000000000 ful. The great physical giant fairly

quails in the banquet scene, "Blood will have blood," gradually infiltrates itself into him, and an unspeakably irrepressible melancholy overcomes his

His craving, in his speech with his wife's physician, for some "sweet ob-livious antidote," and his remorseful beseeching "Turn back thy universe and give me yesterday" are pitiful revelations of his forsaken and forlorn condition. He cannot repent for the cc-the sacrifice of his kingdom-he

will not pay. The playwright will not let him pass away detested. We pity him in his Him .- After His First Crime He death. As Macduff stands with vengeful sword above him, we find sneakng into our heart a sense of pity that such a great man should come to such

Ludy Macbeth, the speaker contended, was not as bad as her words, or even action at first glance, paint her. had killed him myself had he not looked so like my father," tells that she has affection. She exhausted her possibilities in one great action; then she became an inactive being, prey to remorse, but uncomplaining,

Banquo is the contemptible character play, Dr. Stafford contended, and Macduff is the noble character. Banquo was a sneak and coward, willing to profit by Macbeth's crimes, He knew of the intended murder but did it a help to the fulfillment of the prophocy that he would father a great race of kings. Macduff was the patriot, the tender man, the avenging warrior. He could feel and act.

PLAY A MARVEL

The play is a maryal, Dr. Stafford paid for their labor. aid in summing it up, and Macbeth s the highest expression of morality. Tonight Dr. Stafford lectures on 'Hamlet" in Carbondale, and Thursday night he will repeat "Hamlet" in this city.

MADE WAY FOR SPITTACK.

Walked Along Wyoming Avenue with a Revolver in His Hand.

By the arrest of John Spittack yes terday the police department probably prevented bloodshed in the neighborhood of Peckville. Spittack lives in that locality. He came here yesterday and proceeded to fill himself with intoxicants.

Shortly after 2 p. m., Spittack was staggering down Wyoming avenue arclessly swinging in his hand a 38calibre revolver. The crowd of holiday shoppers on the street at the time was large, but Spittack was given plenty of room. He walked on muttering to himself, but made no attempt to use the weapon in his hand,

At the Lackawanna avenue corner Spittack ran into Patrolmen Hawks and Perry, who arrested him. On his person beside the revolver, which was new and had never been used, were found a full box of 38-cal-

ibre cartridges and a quart bottle of Spittack was too drunk to give an account of himself yesterday. He will be heard today. The charge is drunk and carrying concealed weapons.

THE WALL IS BULGING.

Earth Near E. & W. V. Station Is Again Settling.

This week's rain has started anew the settling of the surface in Forest court, under the rear part of the stone wall around the Eric and Wyoming Valley rallway station on North Wash- The situation was both painful and ington avenue. The big wall, constructed at a great expense, threatens to tumble at any moment to the court Street Commissioner was notified Monday of the danger and the fissures were filled.

Yesterday the culm which had been placed into the openings settled down into the mine, making the court again impassable. The big wall is bulging out more and more at every fall in the mines beneath.

SUPERIOR COURT CASES.

They Have Been Appenled from the Common Pleas of This County.

The following Lackawanna 'county ases have been appealed to the Superior court, which meets here on the

cond Monday in January: Ellen O'Donnell vs. Charles DuPont Breck, Bixler & Correll vs. J. B. Lesh Richard Brown vs. Lackawanna county, Michael Resp vs. city of Scranton, and Anthony Knight, Dan Elsinger vs. M. T. Keller, J. W. Slocum vs. A. E. Cobb, Griffin vs. Davis, Bosius vs. Bonta Plate Glass company, Bittenbender vs. Biesecker et a., Koch vs Biesecker et al., Edward Thoyne vs Scranton Traction company, Gilmor & Duffy vs. Dunleavy.

A PHYSICIAN'S PRIVILEGE.

It was evident the minute he entered the rivate office of the lawyer that he was rribly in carrest.
"I want to know," he said, "something out the legal rights, duties and privies of physicians Are you a physician?" asked the law-

er, with that caution that is so notice blo in a member of the legal fraternity "I am not." replied the visitor. "I hav rely been treated by one.

'And in what way has he offended?" "I don't know that he has offended at ii. Maybe he acted entirely within his labts. If it is the privelege of a physian to put a thermometer under a man' ings to his wife I have nothing to say it if it is not-well, there's going to be

"I think," said the lawyer slowly, "that according to medical practice, the doctor was acting entirely within his rights, providing, of course, he did not keep the thermometer in your mouth to exceed on our."-Chicago Post.

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Rev. James Hughes, formerly of Kimberly, South Africa, but now of Scranton, delivered a lecture on "South Africa, the Land of Gold and Diamonds," in the Wayne Avenue Baptist church last night. It was an address that held the close attention of the audience from beginning to end.

the Speaker.

Mr. Hughes said there was room for millions of people in South Africathe greatest gold and diamond producing country in the world, and one of nothing to prevent it, nor afterwards the best openings for the investment did he move to punish it. He saw in of capital, for all impartial, competent experts have said that the country is rich in nearly all kinds of minerals. and that the soil with proper and extensive irrigation is capable of producing an abundance both for man and Mechanics, builders, carpenters, and especially miners, are all well

> It is true that the labor market, for such men, is too often glutted. This fact is due not to the limited extent of the resources of the country, but to the want of more enterprise on the part of capitalists and to the enornous influx of workingmen from nearly every zone of this rolling globe. The almost limitless resources of the country have only been tapped and the population is exceedingly small for such an extent of territory. In Cape Colony, which embraces an area of 250,000 square miles, the population is smaller than that of Greater New York. Considering the fact that there are but very few manufactories in the whole land, the cost of living is fairly moderate; but the domestic comfort of the white population is far inferior to what we find in older countries.

> DANGERS AND HARDSHIPS. Mr. Hughes referred to some of the langers and hardships to which the white people are subject. The heat is sometimes very intense. He took his wife and family one day out into a country district for the purpose of rendering some assistance to a young minister who felt very deeply the lonell ness of his situation, for he seldom saw any but black Kaffirs and a few surly Dutchman. While proceeding through certain pass, so intense was the heat that in about twenty minutes the skin of his wife's face was so scorched that in a very short time after, it all peeled

While proceeding on the same journey they had to cross a river, which was rapidly rising. The horses got as far as the middle of the stream and there they stubbernly stood. Despite the eloquence of the lungs and limbs of While proceeding on the same jourthe eloquence of the lungs and limbs of the eroquence of the lungs and limbs of the driver, the swelling of the stream, and a liberal use of the whip, there the horses stood, stelld and immovable. the horses stood, stolid and immovable. The water rose until it got into the bed of the cart, until the children's legs were some inches in the water. perilous, and was becoming more so every moment

The young minister, whose cart it was, leaped into the silent but treacherous current. The water was up near to his armpits. He pulled at the reins and shouted and stood up in the cart and made very liberal use of the lash and waxed most vociferously eloquent. but all to no purpose. The water was still rising and the children in the conveyance commenced shouting in tones of agonizing terror: "Drown, dadat! Drown dada." All were perfectly helpless. The moment was big with the most serious eventualities. the most serious eventualities.

KAFFIRS TO THE RESCUE. "In a very short time the eart, horses, my wife and children, my brother minister and myself would be swept down the river by that silent but mighty torrent," continued the speaker, "Just at that critical moment some partially civilized Katürs appeared up some dis tance on the slopes of the river banks. they were in a state of perfect nudity with the exception of an old blanket thrown over the shoulders. They knew right well the danger of trying to cross

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a rising river, and they quickly real-

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JOHN QUICK'S MISTAKE.

He Thought It Was a Stump, but It Proved to Be a Pighting Bear.

om the New York Press John Quick, of Morris, had a flerce fight with a black bear a few days ago. Quick was gunning for pheasants on the mountains near Susquehanna, Pa. While walking through a swamp that was hemmed in by heavy hemlocks Quick spied what he first thought was a stump not more than half a rod ahead of him. But the stump be gan to move, and then Quick saw that talists to Develope the Wonderful it was a bear, and it was coming toward him.

He thrust two buckshot shells into the gun and fired both at the bear. But bruin's progress was only momentarily delayed, for the shots seem ed to make him more eager to hug the hunter. From a shamble he increased his gait to a trot, and went at Quick with his teeth showing like the ivories of a mastiff. Quick started on a run, loading his gun with shotfilled shells as he ran. Then, turning, he let the bear have both barrels of lead, and much to his satisfaction the bear came to a standstill. The next moment it wheeled face about, as though to start the other way, when suddenly it shambled over to one side and toppled in a heap, dead.

A Blessing.

A man who always borrowed the paper and who brought a chair with him to wited the editor and the preacher to line with him. There was nothing on the able but bacon and greens. 'Will you ask a blessing, parson?" said

the host, "I will?" exclaimed the preacher, with hergy. "Lord, make us thankful for hat we are about to receive, and when we have received it give us strength to reach, home safely with our appetites?"hleago Times-Herald.

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